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Part II

CONSTITUTION

Article I—Name and Object

1. The name of this Association shall be the American Association of University Professors.

2. Its objects shall be to facilitate a more effective cooperation among teachers and investigators in universities and colleges and in professional schools of similar grade for the promotion of the interests of higher education and research, and in general to increase the usefulness and advance the standards and ideals of the profession.

Article II—Membership

1. Any university or college teacher or investigator who holds and for three years has held a position of teaching or research in a university or college in the United States or Canada, or in a professional school of similar grade, may be nominated for membership in the Association.

2. No person whose principal occupation is not that of education or research and no administrative officer who does not give a substantial amount of instruction shall be eligible for membership.

Article III—Officers

1. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and thirty elective members of the Council, together with members of the Council *ex officio* as provided in Section 4. The term of office of the President and of the Secretary shall be two years; that of the Vice-President one year; that of the Treasurer three years.

2. The term of office of members of the Council shall be three years, ten members retiring annually.

3. The officers and members of the Council shall be elected by a majority vote of those present and voting at the annual meeting.

4. Ex-presidents of the Association shall be members of the Council *ex officio* for the five years next succeeding their terms of office.

5. The President, Vice-President and members of the Council shall not be immediately eligible for re-election upon the expiration of their terms.

Article IV—Election of Members

1. There shall be a Committee on Admissions, the number and mode of appointment of which shall be determined by the Council.

2. Nominations for membership may be made to the Secretary of the Association by any three members of the Association.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to publish every nomination in the next following issue of the Bulletin of the Association, and to transmit it to the Committee on Admissions.

4. All persons receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the Committee on Admissions shall become members of the Association upon payment of the annual dues. No nomination shall be voted on, however, within sixty days after its publication in the Bulletin.

Article V—The Council

1. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be members of the Council *ex officio* and the President shall act as its chairman.

2. The Council shall make all arrangements for the annual meeting, sending a copy of the program at least one month in advance to every member of the Association.

3. The Council shall present a written report to the Association at the annual meeting, sending a copy at least one month in advance to every member of the Association.

4. The Council may appoint committees to investigate and report upon subjects germane to the purposes of the Association.

Article VI—By-Laws

By-Laws may be adopted at any annual meeting of the Association.

Article VII—Dues

Each member shall pay three dollars to the Treasurer as annual dues, and no member who is in default shall be qualified to exercise any privilege of membership.

Article VIII—Honorary Members: Termination of Membership

1. A member who becomes disqualified for active membership by assuming duties wholly or mainly administrative may be elected by the Council to honorary membership.

2. Any other member who becomes ineligible by discontinuance of teaching or research may retain membership for not more than two years thereafter. At the conclusion of this period, membership may be continued by vote of the Council.

3. Non-payment of dues by an active member for two years shall terminate membership, but in such case a member may be reinstated by the Council on payment of arrears within one year thereafter.

4. Honorary members shall be exempt from the payment of dues. They shall have the privilege of being present and speaking, but not of voting, at annual meetings.

Article IX—Amendments

1. The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at any annual meeting; provided that written notice of any proposed amendment shall be sent to the Secretary by five members of the Association not later than two months before the annual meeting.

2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to send a copy of all amendments thus proposed to the members of the Association at least one month before the annual meeting.

Article X—Annual Meeting

The Association shall meet annually at such time and place as the Council may select. The members of the Association in each institution may elect one or more delegates to the annual

meeting. At the annual meeting questions shall ordinarily be determined by majority vote of the delegates present and voting, but on request of one-third of the delegates present a proportional vote shall be taken. When a proportional vote is taken the delegates from each institution shall be entitled to one vote and, in case of an institution with more than fifteen members of the Association, to one vote for every ten members or majority fraction thereof. The votes to which the delegates from each institution are entitled shall be equally divided among its delegates present and voting.

BY-LAWS

1. *Nomination for Office.*—At each annual meeting the President shall appoint a committee of five, not members of the Council or other officers of the Association, to present nominations for the offices to be filled at the next annual meeting. These nominations shall be mailed by the Secretary to all members of the Association not later than one month before the meeting at which they are to be voted upon; and blanks shall be provided upon which additional nominations may be made. At the annual meeting, the nominations of the committee and any other nominations proposed in writing by ten or more members of the Association shall be voted upon by ballot by those present at the annual meeting. No proxies shall be allowed.

2. *Council Meetings.*—A special meeting of the Council shall be called by the President on the written request of at least eight members of the Council and notice of such meeting shall be mailed to every member two weeks in advance.

3. *Local Branches.*—Local branches may be organized by seven or more members of the Association either in institutions or in regional groups of institutions, for such purposes not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws as such branches may determine.